PRISON FILE

June 2, 1971

Dear Forrest:

The tokens arrived in good shape; also the rubbings of the Airport Road Camp. Thanks.

This is one that I don't have, although I know of it, but can't say that it is a prison or jail token. It is one of the things that I have made a note of to do some research on. If you can get it from the dealer and will take $5.00 for it, will be glad to mail you a check. I can then take photographs of it and send it around to the various State agencies and see if I can get any response.

You certainly have a nice collection of Washington tokens, and perhaps you should do the same as Duane Feisel and Steve Album are doing to California towns, listing them with the idea of compiling a checklist or catalog. If you haven't seen the book, write Duane Feisel --he is a member of METCA -- I think it is only $2.00 and is worth it. You seem to have the enthusiasm for it, and it is part of the reward of having this hobby of ours.

I know you do have a live bunch up there and am glad to meet some more of you. Gordon Yowell was the only one I knew well until he sold his collection and quit, so now I have some new contacts.

Regards,

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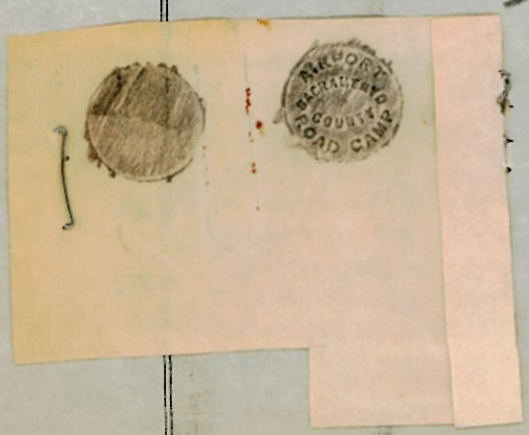

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Dear Agnar:

Many thanks for your kind and informative letter. I appreciate the research you did on the CCC token. And thanks too for the Washington list of CCC camps. As another collector found the same token in the midwest, it only goes to show how these tokens can get around.

Thanks for your comments on the Northwest token collectors. We really have some dedicated collectors up this way. My token collecting seems almost like a second job though much more enjoyable. I have the complete run of Seattle Polk directories from 1888 to present and do much research and maverick identifying and thoroughly enjoy it. My Washington collection numbers over 3000 different tokens and 435 different Washington towns.

I think I might be able to come up with a California prison token for you that I at least have never heard of or seen before. I'm enclosing a rubbing and it says Airport Road Camp. Sacramento County. It's white metal and has on the reverse swirls similiar to transportation tokens. Maybe you know of it. Right now it's in the hands of a local dealer but I believe I can obtain it. You might let me know if you can use it.

Thank you for your check and I'm enclosing the tokens you wanted. I hope you are pleased with them and you can rest assured I'll keep an eye out for similiar items.

Best regards,

Forrest